Java New Features

Java Modules

Issues in legacy approach

- Classes of all packages are exposed and available.
- Only restriction possible is to declare classes with default access
- Application becomes bulky as all packages are shipped with the application (typically in small devices)
- There is no way to restrict visibility of packages (no private packages)

Java Module System (JPMS)

- A Module is a group of closely related packages and resources along with a new module descriptor file
- The main aim of the system is to collect Java packages and code to be collected into a single unit called a Module
- it's a "package of Java Packages" abstraction that allows us to enhance code reusability
- Each module is responsible for its resources, like media or configuration files
- Java module is packaged as a modular JAR file.
- A Java module can specify which of its packages should be visible to other Java modules and which other Java modules are required for its own classes

Java Module Basics

- A Java module must be given a unique name (similar to package name)
- A valid module name could be com.trg.module1
- Each Java module needs a Java module descriptor named moduleinfo.java which has to be located in the module root directory

```
module com.trg.module1{
    // module entries
}
```

- To use a module, include the jar file into modulepath instead of the classpath
- module jar file added to classpath is normal jar file and moduleinfo.class file will be ignored

Module Descriptor

Descriptor includes several aspects of the module:

- Name the name of our module
- Dependencies a list of other modules that this module depends on
- Public Packages a list of all packages we want accessible from outside the module
- Services Offered we can provide service implementations that can be consumed by other modules
- Services Consumed allows the current module to be a consumer of a service
- Reflection Permissions explicitly allows other classes to use reflection to access the private members of a package

Module Declarations

exports

- By default, a module doesn't expose any of its API to other modules.
- This strong encapsulation was one of the key motivators for creating the module system in the first place.
- We use the exports directive to expose all public members of the named package:

```
module my.module {
   exports com.my.package.name;
}
```

exports to

- We can restrict which modules have access to our APIs using the exports...to directive.
- We list which modules we are allowing to import this package as a requires using exports to

```
module my.module {
   exports com.my.package to other.mod1, other.mod2;
}
```

requires

This directive allows us to declare module dependencies:

```
module my.module {
    requires com.other;
}
```

- Now, my.module has both a runtime and a compile-time dependency on com.other.
- And all public types exported from a dependency are accessible by my.module

requires static

- This directive specifies optional dependency:
- It is manadatory for the module to be available at compile time but optional at runtime

```
module my.module {
    requires static your.module;
}
```

 your.module should be present at compile time. But may not be present at runtime

requires transitive

This directive specifies transitive dependency:

```
module java.sql {
    requires transitive java.logging;
    requires transitive java.transaction.xa;
    exports java.sql;
    exports javax.sql;
}
```

 any module that reads java.sql (usually by requiring it) will automatically be able to read java.logging, java.transaction.xa

open / opens

- Open keyword can be used to provide reflective access to any module
- An open module grants reflective access to all of its packages to other modules
- To provide reflective access to packages

```
module app.mod1{
  opens com.pkg1;
}
```

To provide reflective access to the module

```
open module app.mod1{
}
```

- Circular dependency not allowed
- Compiling a module

Javac -d out --module-source-path src/main/java --module com.mymodule

Running modules

java --module-path out --module com.mymodule/com.jenkov.mymodule.Main

Types of modules

. System Modules

. Application Modules

. Automatic Modules

. Unnamed Modules

Types of modules(contd)

System Modules

- These are the modules provided by JDK
- We can display these modules with java –list-modules
- java.base module is automatically available
- For other modules we need requires option

Application Modules

These are the modules which are application specific

Types of modules(contd)

Automatic Modules

- An automatic module is a jar that we put on the modulepath.
- There is a number of pre-existing libraries that are not modularized and can be used in our applications
- To facilitate migration, we can add any library's jar file to an application's module path, then use packages in that jar file.
- The jar's filename becomes its module name that must be a valid Java identifier that can be used in "requires" directive
- All packages of automatic modules are exported

Types of modules(contd)

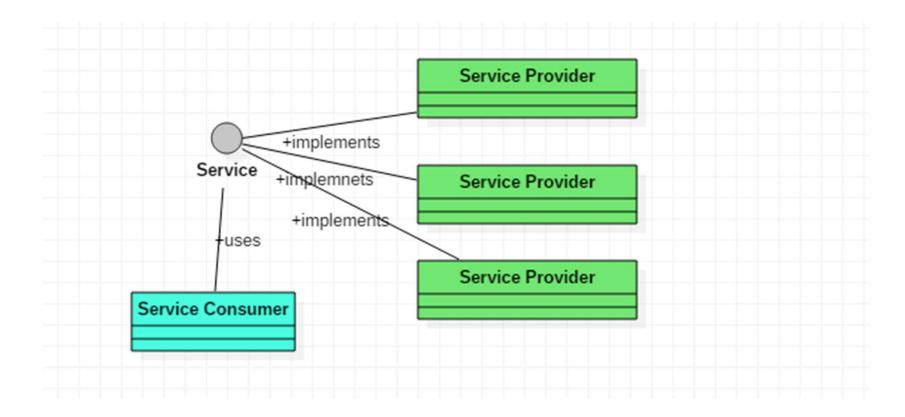
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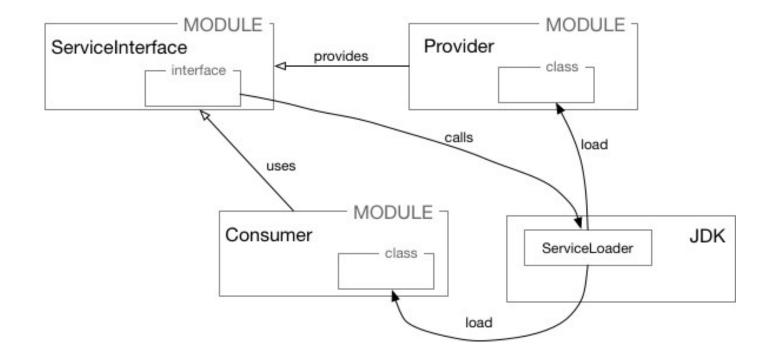
- From Java 9 all Java classes must be located in a module for the Java VM to use them
- On the classpath you can include all your older Java classes. All classes found on the classpath will be included in what Java calls the unnamed module
- The unnamed module *exports* all its packages
- However, the classes in the unnamed module are only readable by other classes in the unnamed module - or from automatic modules
- No named module can read the classes of the unnamed module.
- All classes in the unnamed module requires all modules found on the module path. That way, all classes in the unnamed module can read all classes exported by all the Java modules found on the module path

Java Services

- A specific functionality provided by the library is known as service.
- A service is defined by a set of interface and classes
- There are multiple implementations for a service and they are called as service providers.
- The client using this service will not have any contact with the implementations
- The ServiceLoader class (java.util) in JDK is responsible for discovering and loading all the service providers at a runtime for a service interface
- The ServiceLoader class allows decoupling between the providers and consumers
- The consumer knows only about the service interface

 This architecture follows plugin mechanism in which the service providers can be added or removed without affecting the service interface and the consumers





- Service Interface: It is an interface or abstract class that a Service defines
- Service Provider: Has specific implementations of a service interface. A Service could have zero, one, or many service providers
- ServiceConsumer: The class tagged to interface and and get a provider with the help of ServiceLoader
- ServiceLoader: The main class used to discover and load a service implementation

Declarations

• Service Interface:

```
module ServiceInterface {
  exports com.msg;
}
```

Declarations

- Service Provider:
- Create classes implementing the service interface

```
module mod.provider1 {
    requires mod.service;

    provides com.service.MessageService
        with com.provider1.MsgProvider1;
}
```

Declarations

- Service Consumer:
- Create consumer class

```
module mod.consumer {
  requires mod.service;
  uses com.msg.MessageService;
```

ServiceLoader

- ServiceLoader is a generic class in java.util package.
- Service providers are loaded by the load() method.

public static <S> ServiceLoader<S> load(Class <S> serviceType)

- 'S' specifies the service type which specifies the Class object for the desired service type.
- ServiceLoader.load(serviceType) returns an instance of ServiceLoader, which itself implements Iterable. So we can iterate over the result.
- ServiceLoader finds all the providers based on the module declarations

Sealed Classes

Sealed Classes

- The release of Java SE 17 introduces sealed classes
- This feature is about enabling more fine-grained inheritance control in Java. Sealing allows classes and interfaces to define their permitted subtypes.
- In other words, a class or an interface can now define which classes can implement or extend it.
- It is a useful feature for domain modeling and increasing the security of libraries

Why Sealed Classes

- As an example, imagine a business domain that only works with cars and trucks, not motorcycles
- When creating the Vehicle abstract class, we should be able to allow only Car and Truck classes to extend it
- In that way, we want to ensure that there will be no misuse of the Vehicle abstract class within our domain
- we are more interested in the clarity of code handling known subclasses than defending against all unknown subclasses

Declaring Sealed Classes

- To seal a class, add the sealed modifier to its declaration.
- Then, after any extends and implements clauses, add the permits clause.
- This clause specifies the classes that may extend the sealed class

```
public sealed class Shape permits Circle, Square, Rectangle
{
```

Subclasses of Sealed Class

- All subclasses should have any of these modifiers
 - sealed: It can only be extended by its permitted subclasses
 - o non-sealed: It can be extended by unknown subclasses
 - o final: subclass cannot be extended further.

Constraints on Subclasses

- They must be accessible by the sealed class at compile time
- They must directly extend the sealed class
- They must have exactly one of the following modifiers to describe how it continues the sealing initiated by its superclass:
 - final: Cannot be extended further
 - sealed: Can only be extended by its permitted subclasses
 - non-sealed: Can be extended by unknown subclasses; a sealed class cannot prevent its permitted subclasses from doing this
- They must be in the same module as the sealed class (if the sealed class is in a named module) or in the same package (if the sealed class is in the unnamed module).

Sealed Interfaces

- To seal an interface, we can apply the sealed modifier to its declaration.
- The permits clause then specifies the classes that are permitted to implement the sealed interface:

```
public sealed interface Service permits Car, Truck {
  int getMaxServiceIntervalInMonths();
  default int getMaxDistanceBetweenServicesInKilometers() {
    return 100000;
  }
}
```

Classes in same file

 By defining permitted subclasses in the same file as the sealed class, we can omit permits clause

```
public sealed class Figure
{}
final class Circle extends Figure {
  float radius;
non-sealed class Square extends Figure {
  float side;
sealed class Rectangle extends Figure {
  float length, width;
```

Records as sub classes

- We can name a record class in the permits clause of a sealed class or interface
- Record classes are implicitly final, so modifier required

```
sealed interface Expr permits ConstantExpr, PlusExpr {
   public int eval();
}

record ConstantExpr(int i) implements Expr {
   public int eval() { return i(); }
}

record PlusExpr(Expr a, Expr b) implements Expr {
   public int eval() { return a.eval() + b.eval(); }
}
```

Reflection for sealed classes

- Sealed classes are also supported by the reflection API
- The isSealed() returns boolean
- getPermittedSubclasses() returns an array of objects representing all the permitted subclasses
- Samples:

```
truck.getClass().isSealed()
truck.getClass().getSuperclass().isSealed()
truck.getClass().getSuperclass().getPermittedSubclasses()
```



Concept of immutable classes

- Commonly, we need classes to simply hold data, such as database results, query results etc
- In many cases, this data is <u>immutable</u>
- To accomplish this, we create data classes with lot of boiler plate code
 - 1. private, final field for each piece of data
 - 2. getter for each field
 - 3. public constructor with a corresponding argument for each field
 - 4. equals method that returns true for objects of the same class when all fields match
 - hashCode method that returns the same value when all fields match
 - 6. toString method that includes the name of the class and the name of each field and its corresponding value

Records in Java

- Records are immutable data classes that require only the type and name of fields.
- The equals, hashCode, and toString methods, as well as the private, final fields and public constructor, are generated by the Java compiler.
- To create a Person record, we'll use the record keyword:

public record Person (String name, String address) {}

What is generated

Constructor

```
public Person(String name, String address) {
   this.name = name;
   this.address = address;
}
```

 public getters methods, whose names match the name of our field, for free.

```
public String name(){
}
public String address(){
}
```

What is generated (contd)

- equals() method which returns true if the supplied object is of the same type and the values of all of its fields match
- hashCode() method which returns the same value for two objects if all of the field values for both objects match
- toString() method that returns a string containing the name of the record, followed by the name of each field and its corresponding value in square brackets.

Person[name=John Doe, address=100 Linda Ln.]

Customization

- we can customize our constructor implementation. This is called compact constructor
- This customization is intended to be used for validation and should be kept as simple as possible.
- For example, we can check for null values

```
public record Person(String name, String address) {
    public Person {
        Objects.requireNonNull(name);
        Objects.requireNonNull(address);
    }
}
```

 We can also create new constructors with different arguments by supplying a different argument list:

```
public record Person(String name, String address) {
   public Person(String name) {
     this(name, "Unknown");
   }
}
```

 creating a constructor with the same arguments as the generated constructor is valid, but this requires that each field be manually initialized:

```
public record Person(String name, String address) {
   public Person(String name, String address) {
      this.name = name;
      this.address = address;
   }
}
```

- Additionally, declaring a compact constructor and one with an argument list matching the generated constructor leads to compilation error.
- the following is not valid

```
public record Person(String name, String address) {
    public Person {
        Objects.requireNonNull(name);
        Objects.requireNonNull(address);
    }

    public Person(String name, String address) {
        this.name = name;
        this.address = address;
    }
}
```

- Additionally, we can add the following
 - static fields
 - static methods
 - Any other methods
 - Nested records
- We can also create generic records

```
record Container<T>(int id, T value) { }
Container<Integer> intContainer = new Container<>(1, Integer.valueOf(1));
Container<String> stringContainer = new Container<>(1, "1");

Integer intValue = intContainer.value();
String strValue = stringContainer.value();
```

switch expressions

switch expressions

- The traditional switch statement is procedural.
- It lacks the capability to return a value directly.
- The new switch expression is an expression rather than a statement, which means it evaluates to a value
- the switch expression uses a syntax similar to arrow functions to map case clauses directly to values
- Arrow format allowed in switch statement also
- Unlike switch statement, switch expression needs default as it has to evaluate to a value
- Format:

case label1, label2, ..., labelN ->
expression;|throw-statement;|block

switch expression – example1

```
public enum Day { SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY,
THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY);
  Day day = Day.WEDNESDAY;
  int dayNum =
    switch (day) {
      case MONDAY, FRIDAY, SUNDAY -> 6;
      case TUESDAY
                           -> 7:
      case THURSDAY, SATURDAY -> 8;
      case WEDNESDAY -> 9:
      default -> throw new IllegalStateException("Invalid day: " + day);
```

switch expression – example2

```
int days=0;
int month = 2;
days = switch (month) {
    case 1,3,5,7,8,10,12 -> 31;
    case 4,6,9,11 -> 30;
    case 2 -> 28;
    default -> throw new IllegalStateException("Invalid month: "
+ month);
};
System.out.println(days);
```

yield statement

- For a case, statement block makes it switch statement
- yield statement makes it expression
- yield will return a value

switch expression – example2

```
Day day = Day.WEDNESDAY;
    int numLetters = switch (day) {
        case MONDAY:
        case FRIDAY:
        case SUNDAY:
            System.out.println(6);
            yield 6;
        case TUESDAY:
            System.out.println(7);
            yield 7;
        case THURSDAY:
        case SATURDAY:
            System.out.println(8);
            yield 8;
        case WEDNESDAY:
            System.out.println(9);
            yield 9;
        default:
            throw new IllegalStateException("Invalid day: " + day);
    };
```

switch expression – example3

With: all statements can provided as it is With -> all statements should be part of a block int days = 0; int month = 7: // using arrow format of java 12 days = switch (month) { case 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12 -> { System.out.println("31 days month"); yield 31; case 4, 6, 9, 11 -> { System.out.println("30 days month"); vield 30: case 2 -> { System.out.println("February"); yield 28; default -> throw new IllegalStateException("Invalid month: " + month);

};

With case yield both : and -> are allowed but different format

- Pattern matching involves testing whether an object has a particular structure, then extracting data from that object if there's a match
- Basically, this is required in polymorphism where we do not know the type of present object
- Pattern matching introduces new language enhancements

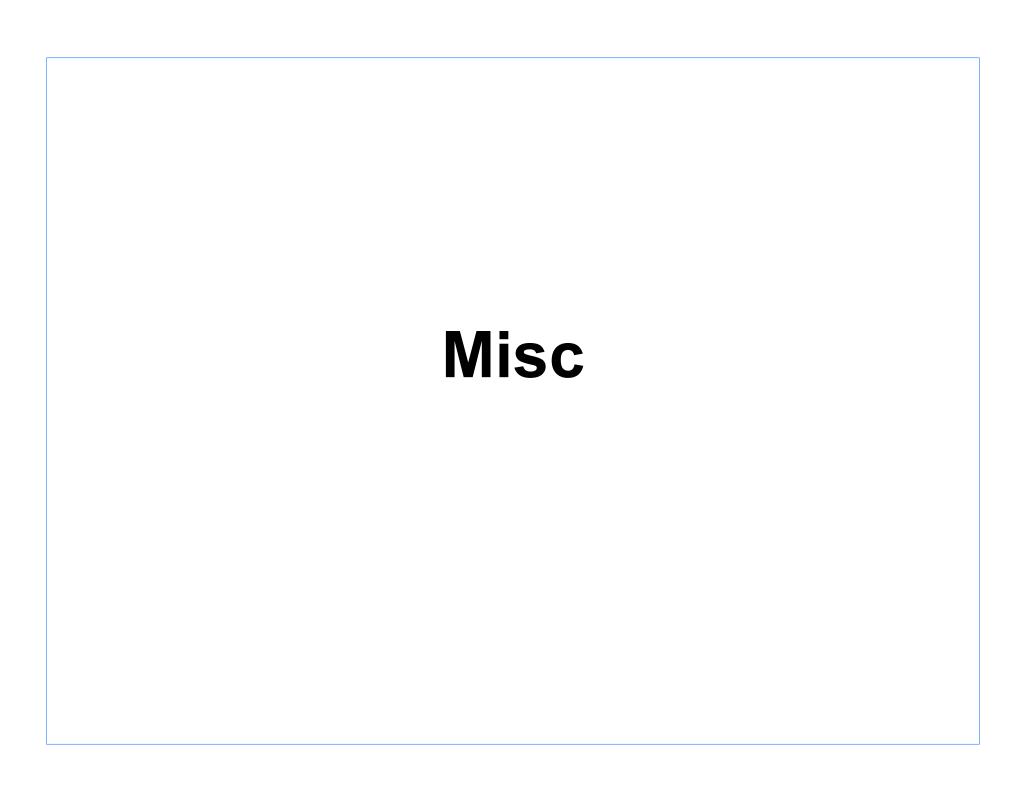
 Applying type patterns to the instanceof operator simplifies type checking and casting. Moreover, it enables us to combine both into a single expression:

```
if (o instanceof String s) {
    System.out.printf("Object is a string %s", s);
} else if (o instanceof Number n) {
    System.out.printf("Object is a number %n", n);
}
```

 This built-in language enhancement helps us write less code with enhanced readability.

- With Java 17, the application of pattern matching now also expands to switch expressions
- However, it is still a preview feature, so we need to enable preview to use it:
- java --enable-preview --source 17 PatternMatching.java

```
static double getDoubleUsingSwitch(Object o) {
    return switch (o) {
        case Integer i -> i.doubleValue();
        case Float f -> f.doubleValue();
        case String s -> Double.parseDouble(s);
        default -> 0d;
    };
}
```



Text Blocks

- Since Java 15, text blocks are available as a standard feature
- Text Blocks allow to create multi line string
- Text blocks start with a "" (three double-quote marks)
- The most simple example looks like this

```
String str= """

<html>

<body>

<span>example text</span>
</body>
</html>""";
```

Escaping double qoutes

- Inside text blocks, double-quotes don't have to be escaped.
- We could even use three double-quotes again in our text block by escaping one of them:

Escaping Line Terminators

- we might have long lines of text in our source code that we want to format in a readable way
- We can escape a newline so that it is ignored:

```
String str = """

This is a long test which looks to \
have a newline but actually does not""";
```

this String literal will just equal a normal non-interrupted String:

Trailing Spaces

- The compiler ignores all trailing spaces in text blocks.
- However, we can escape a space using the new escape sequence \s.
- The compiler will also preserve any spaces in front of this escaped space.

```
String str =
"""
line 1
line 2 \s
""";
```

String new methods

lines()	Returns a steam of strings split at newline
repeat(int)	Repeats the string concatenated
formatted(Objectt args)	Returns formatted string
isBlank()	Returns true if string is empty or contains only white space
indent(int)	adjusts the indentation of each line of this string with the specified number of spaces
strip() stripTrailing() stripLeading()	Strips spaces. trim() works for ASCII strip() works for ASCII and UNICODE

readString(), writeString()

 The writeString() method of Files Class in Java is used to write contents to the specified file.

Files.writeString(path, string, options)

- options Different options to enter the string in the file. Like append etc
- The readString() method of Files class reads a string

var keyword

- The var reserved type name (not a Java keyword) is used for type inference
- var keyword detects automatically the datatype of a variable based on the surrounding context
- var cannot be used for generic types
- Examples:

```
var x = 100; // int
var y = 1.90; // double
var z = 'a'; // char
var p = "tanu"; // String
var q = false; // boolean
var<Integer> vi = new ArrayList<Integer>(); // not allowed
```

HttpClient

Legacy HTTP Client operations

- HttpUrlConnection class has been present in the JDK since the very early years of Java.
- HttpURLConnection API is low-level and isn't known for being feature-rich and user-friendly
- URLConnection API was designed with multiple protocols that are now no longer functioning (FTP, gopher, etc.)
- The API predates HTTP/1.1 and is too abstract
- It works in blocking mode only (synchronous)
- It is very hard to maintain

HTTPClient

- HTTP Client provides synchronous and asynchronous request mechanisms
- The API consists of three core classes:
 - HttpClient behaves as a container for configuration information common to multiple requests.
 - HttpRequest represents the request to be sent via the HttpClient.
 - HttpResponse represents the result of an HttpRequest call

HTTPRequest

- HttpRequest is an object that represents the request we want to send
- New instances can be created using HttpRequest.Builder
- We can get it by calling HttpRequest.newBuilder().
- Builder class provides a bunch of methods that we can use to configure our request
- Some of the methods:

```
uri(new URI("http://hello.com"))

GET()

POST(BodyPublisher body)

PUT(BodyPublisher body)

DELETE()

headers("key1", "value1", "key2", "value2")
```

HTTPRequest(contd)

- We can add a body to a request by using the request builder methods: POST(BodyPublisher body), PUT(BodyPublisher body) and DELETE().
- The API provides a number of BodyPublisher implementations:

StringProcessor – reads body from a String, created with HttpRequest.BodyPublishers.ofString

InputStreamProcessor – reads body from an InputStream, created with HttpRequest.BodyPublishers.ofInputStream

ByteArrayProcessor – reads body from a byte array, created with HttpRequest.BodyPublishers.ofByteArray

FileProcessor – reads body from a file at the given path, created with HttpRequest.BodyPublishers.ofFile

For sample Code refer: https://www.baeldung.com/java-9-http-client

HTTPClient

- All requests are sent using HttpClient, which can be instantiated using the HttpClient.newBuilder() method or by calling HttpClient.newHttpClient().
- It provides a lot of useful and self-describing methods we can use to handle our request/response.

Ex:

```
HttpClient client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();
HttpResponse<String> response = client.send(request,
BodyHandlers.ofString());
```

HTTPResponse

- The HttpResponse class represents the response from the server.
 It provides a number of useful methods
- statusCode() returns status code (type int) for a response
- body() returns a body for a response (return type depends on the response BodyHandler parameter passed to the send() method)

async requests

- Basic send() method of HttpClient is blocking method
- Application blocks till response received from server
- Now we can also send async request which is non blocking
- The asynchronous API returns immediately with a CompletableFuture that completes with the HttpResponse when it becomes available